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Ranking Member Kay Granger House Appropriations Committee 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger,

I am requesting funding for Florida International University's Aquarius Coral Reef Observatory: Instrumenting as a Sentinel for Coastal Change project in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Florida International University located at 11200 SW 8th Street Miami, FL 33199.

The funding would be used to establish a uniquely capable observation system, the Aquarius Coral Reef Observatory, to monitor ocean temperature, water clarity, water chemistry, and ocean acidification.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Mano Diaz-Balart Member of Congress